ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY CROSSBAND MILITARY/AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS TEST (10 MAY 2008)

The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual military/amateur radio communications tests in celebration of the 58th Anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD). Although the actual Armed Forces Day is celebrated on Saturday, May 17, 2008, the AFD Military/Amateur Crossband Communications Test will be conducted 10 May 2008 to prevent conflict with the Dayton Hamvention (16-18 May 2008), which is the same weekend as the actual Armed Forces Day.

The annual celebration features traditional military to amateur cross band communications SSB voice tests and copying the Secretary of Defense message via digital modes. These tests give Amateur Radio operators and Short Wave Listeners (SWL) an opportunity to demonstrate their individual technical skills, and to receive recognition from the Secretary of Defense and/or the appropriate military radio station for their proven expertise. QSL cards will be provided to those stations making contact with the military stations. Special commemorative certificates will be awarded to anyone who receives and copies the digital Armed Forces Day message from the Secretary of Defense.

MILITARY-TO-AMATEUR CROSS BAND SSB TEST CONTACTS.

Military-to-Amateur cross band operations will take place on the dates/times in ZULU (UTC), and frequencies listed below for each station. Voice contacts will include operations in single sideband voice (SSB). Some stations may not operate the entire period, depending on propagation and manning. Participating military stations will transmit on selected Military MARS frequencies and listen for amateur radio stations in the Amateur bands indicated below. The military station operator will announce the specific amateur band frequency being monitored. Duration of each voice contact should be limited to 1-2 minutes. The following stations will be transmitting on MARS frequencies listed below which are provided as "Window/Dial Frequency" in kHz.

Army Stations

STATION: AAZ (10 May 1400Z - 11 May 0300Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4038.9 kHz	LSB	80M
6913.0 kHz	LSB	40M
7424.0 kHz	USB	40M
14.402.0 kHz	USB	20M
13996.0 kHz	USB	20M
18211.0 kHz	USB	17M
18639.0 kHz	USB	17M
13509.5 kHz	RTTY	20M
7639.5 kHz	RTTY	40M
13512.5 kHz	MT-63	20M

7578.5 kHz MT-63 40M

Location: Fort Huachuca, AZ

Address:

Commander NETCOM/9th ASC

ATTN: NETCOM-OPE-M (MARS) (31)

2133 Cushing Street

Ft. Huachuca, AZ 85616-7070 POC: Mr. Dewayne Smith

DSN: 821-7324

Commercial: (520) 533-7324

STATION: AAC (10 May 1300Z - 11 May 0100Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
3348.5 kHz	LSB	80M
7363.0	LSB	40M
13910.5 kHz	USB	20M

Location: Lexington, KY

Address:

HQ 1st BDE, 100th DIV (IT) MARS Station

Barrow Army Reserve Training Center

1051 Russell Cave Pike

Lexington, KY 40505

POC: Mr. Barry Jackson Commercial: (859) 227-0137

STATION: ABH (10 May 1600Z - 11 May 2300Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
3195 kHz	LSB	80M
3360 kHz	LSB	80M
4440 kHz	LSB	80M
4466 kHz	LSB	80M
7360 kHz	LSB	40M
7720 kHz	LSB	40M
8040 kHz	LSB	40M
8094.5 kHz	LSB	40M
14483.5 kHz	USB	20M
14489.5 kHz	USB	20M
17443.0 kHz	USB	17M
17592.5 kHz	USB	17M
20978.0 kHz	USB	15M
20559.0 kHz	USB	15M

Location: Schofield Barracks, HI Commander, 396th Signal Company 30th Signal Battalion, 96857 POC: CPT Maribel Ostergaard Commercial: (808) 656-2814

STATION: ALM (12 May 1600Z - 13 May 2300Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
13741.5 kHz	USB	20M
4003.0kHz	LSB	80M
7317.0 kHz	LSB	40M

Location: Fort Wainwright

Commander, 507 the Sig Co, 99703

POC: Mr. Roderick Mitchell 507th Signal Company

Commercial: (907) 353-0082

STATION: WAR (10 May 1200Z - 11 May 2400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4020.9 kHz	LSB	80M
7504.0 kHz	LSB	40M
13512.5 kHz	USB	20M
20518.5 kHz	USB	15M

Location: Arlington Va.

Address: Po box 2322

Arlington Va. 22202 POC Mr. Rick Low

STATION: WUG-231 (10 May 1300Z - 11 May 0200Z) Frequency Emission Amateur Band

<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Emission</u>	Amateur Band
4032.9 kHz	LSB	80M
7.360.0 kHz	LSB	40M
6.826.0 kHz	LSB	40M
14486.0 kHz	USB	20M
14663.5 kHz	USB	20M
20973.5 kHz	USB	15M

Location: Memphis, TN

Address:

USACE Memphis District Office

ATTN: Jim Pogue

Public Affairs Office Room B-202

167 N. Main St.

Memphis, TN 38103-1894 POC: Mr. Jim Pogue

Commercial: (901) 544-4109

Air Force Station

STATION: AIR (10 May 1200Z - 2400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4517.1 kHz	USB	80M
6996.1 kHz	USB	40M
13985.1 kHz	USB	20M
20737.6 kHz	USB	15M

POC: Mr. Vincent Nacanaynay

Address:

89TH CS/SCOR

Andrews AFB, MD 20762

COMMERCIAL: (301) 981-0365

STATION: AIR-2 (10 MAY 1200Z TO 2400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4590.1 KHZ	USB	80M
7540.1 KHZ	USB	40M
13993.1 KHZ	USB	20M

POC:

ADDRESS: AFCA / AF MARS

203W LOSEY ST

SCOTT AFB, IL 62225

COMMERCIAL: (618) 229-5944

Navy/Marine Corps Stations

STATION: NAV (10 MAY 1200Z - 11 MAY 2330Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4010.0 KHZ	LSB	80M
7348.0 KHZ	LSB	40M
14478.5 KHZ	USB	20M
20994.0 KHZ	USB	15M

ADDRESS: HQ NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION NAV CHEATHAM

ANNEX BLDG. 117 108 SANDA AVE

WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23185-5830

POC: BO LINDFORS

COMMERCIAL: (757) 887-4494 DSN: 953-4494

STATION: NAV3 (10 MAY 1200Z - 11 MAY 0400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4014.0 KHZ	LSB	80M
7394.5 KHZ	LSB	40M
13974.0 KHZ	USB	20M
20997.0 KHZ	USB	15M

ADDRESS: NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION NAV3

9035 OCEAN DR SUITE 3A

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78419-5234

POC: ITSC (SW) BROWN

COMMERCIAL: (361) 961-5002 DSN: 861-5002

STATION: NAV4 (10 MAY 1200Z - 11 MAY 0400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4011.5 KHZ	LSB	80M
7376.5 KHZ	LSB	40M
14467.0 KHZ	USB	20M
21758.5 KHZ	USB	15M

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615 PREBLE AVE

CAMP BARRY, BLDG. 153 GREAT LAKES, IL 60088-2850 POC: MR. DAVID OUELLETTE

COMMERCIAL: (847) 688-3787 DSN: 792-3787

STATION: NBL (10 MAY 1200Z - 11 MAY 0400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4041.5 KHZ	LSB	80M
7371.5 KHZ	LSB	40M
14391.5 KHZ	USB	20M
20623.5 KHZ	USB	15M

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PO BOX 161 NAVAL SUBMARINE BASE

GROTON, CT 06349-5161 POC: ITC (SW) DEVER

COMMERCIAL: (860) 694-2061/3716 DSN: 694-2061/3716

STATION: NPL (10 MAY 1500Z - 11 MAY 0400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4003.0 KHZ	LSB	80M
7351.5 KHZ	LSB	40M
14463.5 KHZ	USB	20M
20936.0 KHZ	USB	15M

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937 NORTH HARBOR DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92132-5100 POC: ITC (SW) THOMASON

COMMERCIAL: (619) 532-1490 DSN: 522-1490

STATION: NUW (10 MAY 1500Z - 11 MAY 0400Z)

<u>Frequency</u>	Emission	Amateur Band
4044.0 KHZ	LSB	80M
7381.5 KHZ	LSB	40M
13528.5 KHZ	USB	20M
20952.5 KHZ	USB	15M

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260 W. PIONEER FSC BLDG.

NAS WHIDBEY ISLAND, WA 98277

POC: MR. Digger O'Dell

COMMERCIAL: (360) 675-2823 DSN: 820-8038

COAST GUARD STATIONS

STATION: NBMW (10 MAY 1600Z - 11 MAY 0200Z)

Frequency Emission Amateur Band 3390.5 kHz USB 80M 6972.8 kHz USB 40M

14459.5 kHz USB 20M Location: Southern California

Address:

USCG Armed Forces Test/NBMW

P.O. Box 1694 Upland, CA 91785

POC: Mr. William Scholz Commercial: 714-292-4271

STATION: NDTH (10 MAY 1400Z - 10 MAY 2400Z)

Frequency Emission Amateur Band

3390.5 kHz USB 80M

6821.8 kHz USB 40M 11130.3 kHz USB 20M

Location: Central Texas

Address:

USCG Armed Forces Test/NDTH

5802 Club Oaks Drive Dallas, TX 75248

POC: Mr. John Fullingim

STATION: NDGW (10 MAY 1300Z - 10 MAY 2400Z)

Frequency Emission Amateur Band

3203.0 kHz USB 80M 7351.5 kHz USB 40M 15979.5 kHz USB 20M

Location: New England

Address:

USCG Armed Forces Test/NDGW

2341 Herring Ditch Road Chesapeake, VA 23323 POC: Mr. Chuck Rippel

PART II. SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MESSAGE TEST VIA DIGITAL MODES.

The Secretary of Defense message will be transmitted via digital modes including RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, PSK-31, MFSK and MT63 from the stations listed below, including frequencies, mode, and date/time in Zulu (UTC). All frequencies are listed for center of intelligence. Offset as appropriate for your TNC. (Note: Not all stations may necessarily operate on all the frequencies listed, depending on propagation and available equipment.)

Army Stations

STATION: AAZ (HQ Army MARS and Western Area Gateway, Fort Huachuca, AZ)

<u>Frequency</u>	Mode	Broadcast Date/Time
6988.0 kHz	RTTY	11 May/0110Z
	PACTOR	FEC 11 May/0130Z
	MT63	11 May/0220Z
	PSK-31	11 May/0250Z
14402.0 kHz	RTTY	11 May/0110Z
	PACTOR	FEC 11 May/0130Z
	MT63	11 May/0220Z
	PSK-31	11 May0250Z

STATION: WAR (Pentagon ARC/ MARS Station, Arlington, Va)

<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Mode</u>	Broadcast Date/Time
6988.0 kHz	RTTY	13 May/2300Z
	PACTOR FE	C 13 May/2315Z
14440.0 kHz	PACTOR FE	C 13 MAY/2330Z
	AMTOR FEC	C 13 MAY/2345Z

Air Force Stations

STATION: AIR-2 (Scott Air Force Base)

<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Mode</u>	Broadcast Date/Time
7831.1 kHz	RTTY	10 May/1930Z
	PACTOR	10 May/2000Z
	MT63	10 May/2030Z
	MFSK	10 May/2100Z
14877.1 kHz	RTTY	10 May/2130Z
	PACTOR	10 May/2200Z
	MT63	10 May/2230Z
	MFSK	10 May/2300Z

Navy/Marine Corps Stations

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4010.0 KHZ LSB 80M 7348.0 KHZ LSB 40M 14478.5 KHZ USB 20M 20994.0 KHZ USB 15M

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SECRETARY OF DEFENSE BROADCAST FREQUENCIES, MODES AND TIMES:

STATION: NAV (HQ NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION, WILLIAMSBURG, VA)

FREQUENCY MODE BROADCAST DATE/TIME

7346.5 KHZ RTTY 75 BAUD 10 MAY/2340Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0010Z

MT63 11 MAY/0040Z

14480.0 KHZ RTTY 75 BAUD 10 MAY/2340Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0010Z

MT63 11 MAY/0040Z

STATION: NAV3 (NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX)

FREQUENCY MODE BROADCAST DATE/TIME

7393.0 KHZ RTTY 10 MAY/2340Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0010Z

MT63 11 MAY/0040Z

13975.5 KHZ RTTY 10 MAY/2340Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0010Z

MT63 11 MAY/0040Z

STATION: NAV4 (NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION, GREAT LAKES, IL)

FREQUENCY MODE BROADCAST DATE/TIME

7375.0 KHZ RTTY 11 MAY/0240Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0310Z

MT63 11 MAY/0340Z

14468.5 KHZ RTTY 11 MAY/0240Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0310Z

MT63 11 MAY/0340Z

STATION: NBL (NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION, GROTON, CT)

FREQUENCY MODE BROADCAST DATE/TIME

7370.0 KHZ RTTY 10 MAY/2340Z

PACTOR FEC 11 MAY/0010Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0040Z

14393.0 KHZ RTTY 10 MAY/2340Z

PACTOR FEC 11 MAY/0010Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0040Z

STATION: NPL (NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION, SAN DIEGO, CA)

FREQUENCY MODE BROADCAST DATE/TIME

7350.0 KHZ RTTY 11 MAY/0240Z

PACTOR FEC 11 MAY/0310Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0340Z

PACTOR FEC 11 MAY/0440Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0510Z

STATION: NUW (NAVMARCORMARS RADIO STATION, NAS WHIDBEY

ISLAND, WA)

FREQUENCY MODE BROADCAST DATE/TIME

7380.0 KHZ RTTY 11 MAY/0240Z

PACTOR FEC 11 MAY/0310Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0340Z

PACTOR FEC 11 MAY/0440Z

AMTOR FEC 11 MAY/0510Z

SUBMISSION OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE TEST MESSAGE ENTRIES.

Transcripts of the RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, PSK-31, MFSK and MT63 receiving test should be submitted "as received". No attempt should be made to correct possible transmission errors. Provide time, frequency and call sign of the military station copied, including name, call sign, and address (including ZIP code) of individual submitting the entry. Ensure this information is placed on the paper containing the test message. Each year a large number of acceptable entries are received with insufficient information, or necessary information was not attached to the transcriptions and was separated, thereby

precluding issuance of a certificate. Entries must be sent to the appropriate military address as follows:

a. Stations copying Secretary of Defense message transmitted from AAZ send entries to:

Armed Forces Day Celebration Commander NETCOM/9th ASC Armed Forces Day Celebration Attn: NETC-OPE-MA (MARS) (31) Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-5000

b. Stations copying Secretary of Defense message transmitted from NAV, NAV-3, NAV-4, NBL, NPL or NUW send entries to:

Armed Forces Day Celebration Chief, Navy-Marine Corps MARS Cheatham Annex Bldg 117 108 Sanda Ave Williamsburg, VA 23185-5830

c. Stations copying Secretary of Defense message transmitted from **AIR-2** send entries to:

Armed Forces Day Celebration AFCA / Chief, AF MARS 203W Losey St Scott AFB, IL 62225